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5. (Confidential - JGO) Met with Mr. Richard Barton, House Post Office and Civil Service Committee staff, and discussed several items of mutual interest pending before the Committee. In brief, Mr. Barton told me that action on the Federal Executive Service bill has been assigned to the Henderson Subcommittee and that action on the Ervin Bill, which has been nominally assigned to the Hanley Subcommittee, is to be held in abeyance pending a meeting on the subject between Messrs. Henderson and Hanley.

6. (Confidential - JGO) Met with Mr. Bun Bray, House Post Office and Civil Service Committee staff, who told me he would be pleased to meet with Agency technical experts on the Federal Executive Service bill at an appropriate time to review Agency considerations to insure that Agency needs are properly met in whatever action is finally taken by the Committee. He does not foresee any action on the bill for the next several months pending completion of more important matters such as the wage bill and related legislation. He will keep me advised on the progress of the bill. He noted in passing that Mr. Henderson was still very much interested in any Committee consideration of the Ervin Bill, but that in his opinion, any showing of Agency interest at this time in a bill that has not yet been introduced by Senator Ervin would be very premature. I thanked Mr. Bray for the advice.

7. (Internal Use Only - JGO) Met with Mr. Jack Madison, House Foreign Operations and Government Information Subcommittee staff, who told me that he would be leaving the Committee staff within the next month or so. He feels Mr. Norman Cornish, a longtime member of the staff, will succeed to a large portion of the duties that he himself has been handling on Government information.

8. (Secret - JGO) Met with Representative William Minshall (R., Ohio) and told him that it would be difficult for the Director to meet with the group late next week as had been suggested by Mr. Ralph Preston yesterday. Mr. Minshall reviewed his personal schedule and that of the Committee and told me that it would be best if the meeting be put off until after the Easter recess.

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1. (Confidential - JMM) During a conversation at a social gathering yesterday evening, I asked Senator Sam Ervin (D., N. C.) of his plans regarding reintroduction of the "Ervin bill," to protect the rights of Federal employees, during this session of the Congress. The Senator said good-naturedly that apparently the Agency wasn't going to let him pass it in its original form and he might have to give the Agency a complete exemption. He went on to speak of his serious ^{25X1} concern over the investigative activities of the armed services which have recently been revealed and said he was thinking of legislation that would limit the authority to conduct such investigations to the FBI and CIA.

2. (Confidential - JMM) Met with Representative David Henderson, of the House Post Office and Civil Service Committee, who had asked me to come over to talk about a special bill he was putting in for the relief of

I talked to Mr. Henderson about the Ervin bill, which is no longer being handled by Henderson's Subcommittee but has been turned over to Representative James M. Hanley's Subcommittee on Employee Benefits. Henderson said he would gladly help us any way he could and suggested that we talk to Representatives Hanley, Brasco, Udall, Wilson, White and Hogan of the Subcommittee. He also recommended that we get Chairman Hebert, House Armed Services Committee, to register his concern to Chairman Dulski, of the full Post Office and Civil Service Committee, and that we try to get Representative Ichord, Chairman of the House Internal Security Committee, also to speak up in our behalf to Chairman Dulski or or Chairman Hanley.

Mr. Henderson commented that it was worth noting that in the past couple of years there had been virtually no serious complaints from Federal employees about the kind of abuses which the Ervin bill was designed to correct.

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